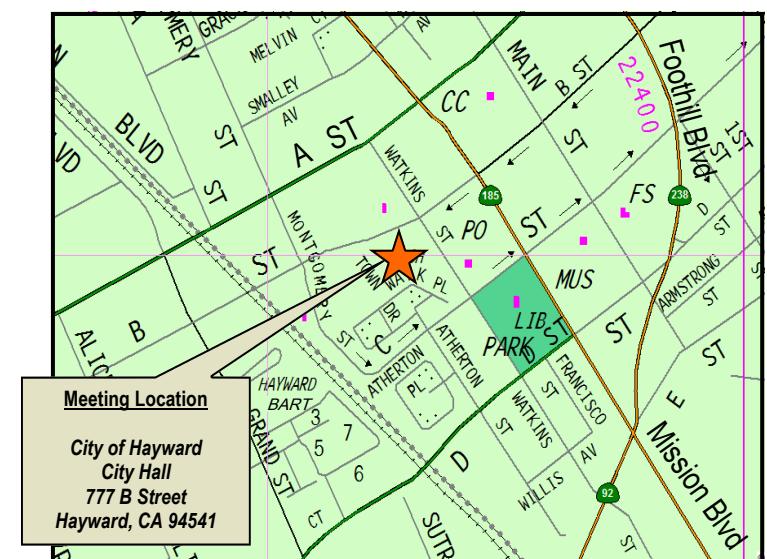


## YOU ARE INVITED!! - Public Information Meeting - June 16, 2004—6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

The purpose of this meeting is to present the findings of the studies that have been performed for the Route 238 Corridor Improvement Project and to gather input from the public.

Exhibits will be available for viewing in the City Hall Rotunda. The exhibits will present a conceptual layout of the proposed roadway improvements and more detailed information regarding the proposed grade separation at the Foothill / Mission / Jackson intersection. City staff and the design consultants will be available to answer questions.

A 30-minute summary presentation of the project will begin at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers. A 90 minute question and answer period will be held immediately after the presentation. The meeting will be facilitated to afford the opportunity to gather pertinent input on the proposed project and to enable those who have questions or concerns to be heard. Comment Cards will also be available for those who want to provide written input.



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General Viewing	6:00 to 7:00 pm
Presentation	7:00 to 7:30 pm
Questions / Answers	7:30 to 9:00 pm

Assistance will be provided to those requiring accommodations for disabilities in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Interested persons must request the accommodation at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting by contacting the City Clerk at (510) 583-4400 or TDD (510) 247-3340.

Para una copia de este boletín de noticias en español, por favor póngase en contacto con el personal de Ciudad en (510) 583-4740.



June 2004

## Route 238 Corridor Improvement Project

### Working Group Mission Statement and Process

A Working Group was appointed by the City Council to provide input and feedback during the development of the Project Study Report for the Route 238 Corridor Improvement Project. During this process, the group reviewed and discussed various issues and conceptual drawings. The final product of this effort will be a Project Study Report. If a decision is made to proceed with this project, further work will need to be performed, including appropriate environmental studies.

The Working Group consists of seven (7) persons: Scott Raty, representing the Hayward Chamber of Commerce, Bob Brauer, representing California State University, Sherman Lewis, representing the Hayward Area Planning Association, Audrey LePell, representing Citizens for Alternative Transportation Solutions, Seth Kaplan, a representative from Supervisor Nate Miley's office, and Bob Billmire and John Cavolowsky, two at-large-members.

In April 2003, the Working Group adopted as its mission statement the recommendation of the Consensus Group to ACTA, which states the following:

"By strong consensus, this committee recommends that the alternative be moved forward for further study with final configuration determined through technical and environmental studies. In the course of these studies, further examination of signal coordination, turning movements, etc., will be completed.

We further recognize the need to implement other related projects and programs that enhance and complement this alternative, such as interchange improvements at Redwood Road and I-580 and widening of Interstate 238 between I-580 and I-880.

We recognize that there are other modes that could further enhance and complement this alternative and recommend that they be studied outside this alternative."

## The Problem, Project History, and Purpose

**The Problem** —The City of Hayward lies geographically at the heart of major commuter routes, namely, I-880, I-580, and Route 92. Additionally, Route 238 (Mission and Foothill Boulevards) has become more congested as a result of increased local and regional traffic traveling both in a north-south and east-west direction through Hayward. Traffic on the Route 238 corridor is expected to increase by more than 30 percent over the next 20 years.

One effort to address congestion in Hayward was the development of the Route 238 Hayward Bypass Project. The initial stage of this project called for the construction of an expressway between I-580 and Harder Road. In addition to serving regional purposes, the intent of the expressway was to relieve traffic on some local streets. This stage was funded using 1986 Alameda County Transportation Authority (ACTA) Measure B sales tax dollars. However, subsequent lawsuits and court rulings have placed the future of this project in significant doubt.

More and more drivers are using other Hayward streets to avoid the congestion on the regional routes. Residents have complained about increased traffic and speeding on their neighborhood streets. This problem will only worsen in the future and an alternative to the Bypass is sorely needed.

**Project History** — To try to find an alternative solution and ensure that the Measure B funds programmed for the Bypass are not lost to the City, a Consensus Group was formed consisting of Bypass supporters and opponents. Meetings facilitated by ACTA were held during the spring and

summer of 2002 to develop an acceptable proposal that would address projected traffic congestion within the corridor. The result of these meetings identified what is now referred to as the Route 238 Corridor Improvement Project.

In November 2002, Hayward voters passed Measure U by a substantial margin. Measure U amends the City's General Plan "...to enable the Hayward City Council to pursue implementation of transportation projects which may include alternatives to the Route 238 Bypass and that would qualify for funding from Measure B and other sources." Such projects would provide the City the opportunity to implement solutions to the traffic congestion on Foothill and Mission Boulevards using the already programmed Measure B funds.

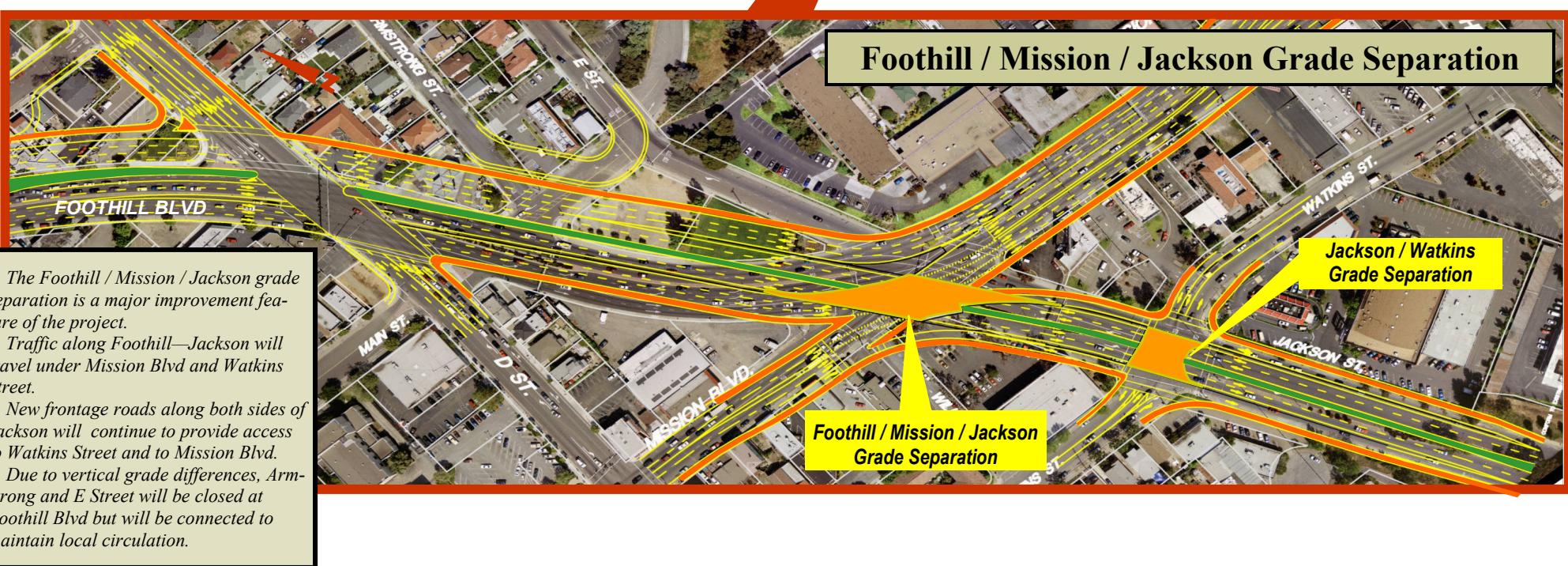
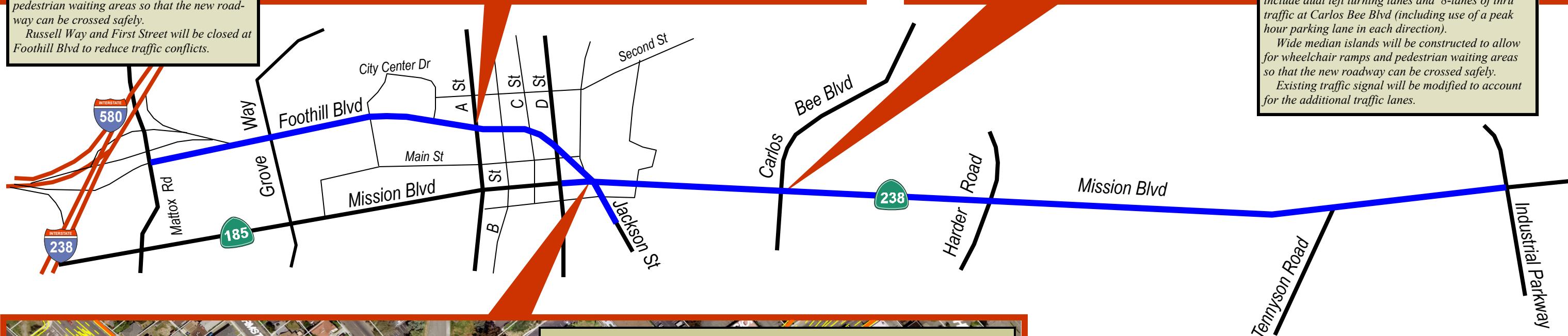
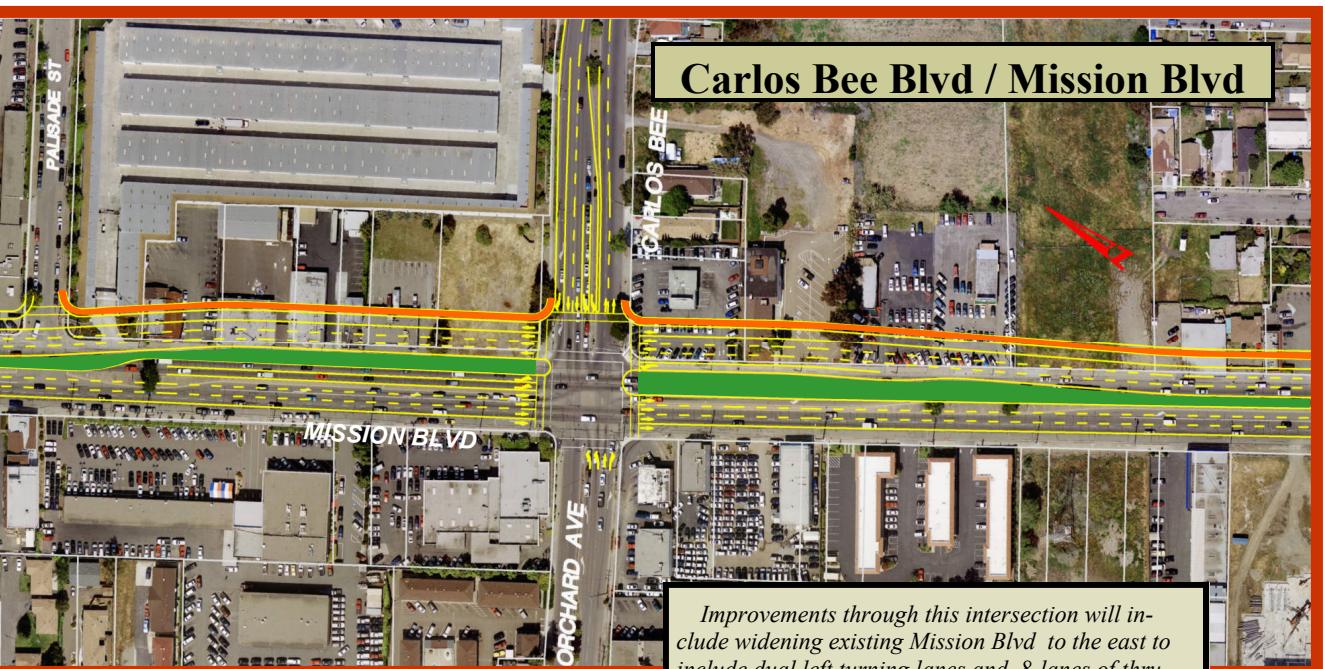
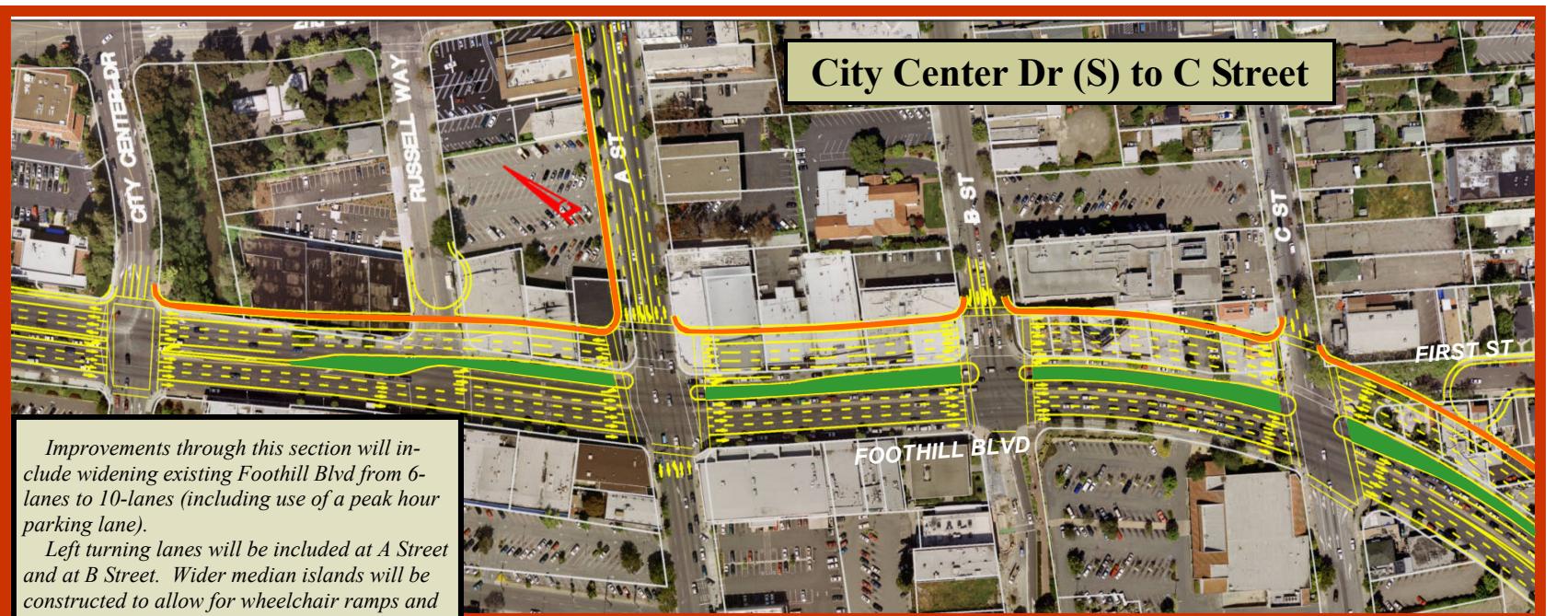
The proposed project identified by the Consensus Group adds travel lanes on Foothill and Mission Boulevards between I-580 and Industrial Parkway, widens portions of the respective roadways, prohibits peak hour parking, and constructs a grade separation in the vicinity of the Foothill/Mission/Jackson intersection.

**Purpose** — The purpose of the present effort is to refine the conceptual plan for the Route 238 Corridor alignment and to evaluate the proposed improvements. In April 2003, the City Council selected Mark Thomas & Company to prepare the necessary technical data for the project and to develop this information for consideration and evaluation by the Working Group. This information will be incorporated into a Project Study Report.

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## Working Group Meeting Schedule

The Working Group meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 5 pm at Room 2A—City Hall. The public is invited and welcome to speak at these meetings. Agenda packets are also available at the City's web site, [www.hayward-ca.gov](http://www.hayward-ca.gov), and at both City library sites (Main and Weekes Branch) prior to the meeting.



## Route 238 Corridor Improvement Project Features

The proposed project, estimated to cost \$215 million, begins at Mattox Road on the north and ends at Industrial Parkway on the south, a total of approximately 5 miles. Key project features are highlighted on this page. More details of the proposed corridor improvements will be presented at the Public Information Meeting. You are encouraged to attend this important meeting to find out more about the project. Please refer to the reverse side of this page for the date and location of this meeting.